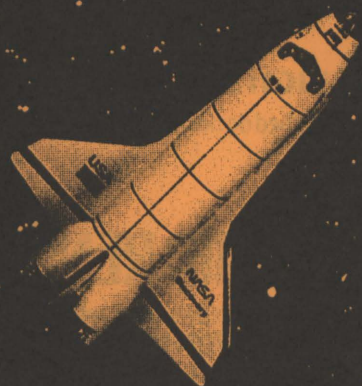


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# EDITORIAL

The documentary featuring the *Greatest Mystery in Australian Aviation History*, will be televised on American and European television in September, this year.

Eight staff and technicians from *Unsolved Mysteries* spent ten days in Victoria during April, re-enacting the flight and disappearance of Frederick Valentich, who encountered a UFO on October 21, 1978.

VUFORS participated and assisted the programme directors and staff to make the documentary as realistic as possible. Aircraft were chartered to re-enact the scene in the air. The Department of Civil Aviation co-operated by setting up the equipment at Melbourne Airport as it was 14 years ago.

Ken Llewelyn, Senior Public Relations Officer for the Royal Australian Air Force, participated in the Search and Rescue phase of the episode.

We were fortunate that the main witness of the group of four, came forward to participate with the description of the Cessna and the UFO flying overhead just prior to the pilot's disappearance.

Unsolved Mysteries usually concentrates on murder mysteries and over 150 criminals have been recognized as a result of the programmes.

We have great expectations that the forthcoming series of UFO related cases, will result in many more people coming forward and taking a more serious view of the UFO subject, which may help overcome the ridicule generated by sceptics which in turn, will help solve The Riddle of the Skies.

## National UFO Demonstration - Washington DC - 5th July, 1993.

Readers may be interested to learn that due to extremely hot weather in Washington, DC, the 'End UFO Secrecy' Demonstration there was somewhat a disappointment, as only very few people turned out. Philip Klass, who must be the world's greatest sceptic, was present and prominent.

# ON THE UFO TRAIL

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When the staff of *Unsolved Mysteries* had completed the Frederick Valentich documentary and gone for a well earned vacation in Queens- land prior to returning to California, the first leg of my 1993 overseas trip commenced, leaving Melbourne on 22nd April for San Francisco.

Soon after my arrival, a contact 'phoned from Los Angeles, notifying me of a UFO Seminar scheduled for 30th April and 1st May and to be at the LITTLE A'LE'INN, Rachel, Nevada, only eleven miles from the border of AREA 51. Among the speakers, were JOHN LEAR and ROBERT LAZAR, both of whom I wanted to meet. This event will be discussed at VUFORS September meeting at the Royal Society, Melbourne at 8pm.

On May 19th, at the request of MUFON LA (Mutual UFO Network - Los Angeles) Burbank California, which is also the home of *Unsolved Mysteries*. I gave an update on the Valentich and Knowles Family, cases. With only three months stay in the U.S., I had to move fast to see all the people and places I wanted to visit, within that time.

On May 16, I was invited to give an update on Australian activity to the meeting of the San Francisco Bay Area MUFON meeting in San Jose; where I learned of the dissatisfaction of the *FIRE IN THE SKY* hype, released by

Paramount Productions, concerning the Travis Walton experience. This was an attitude that I found throughout the country with all UFO researchers who knew anything about the case, completely disgusted with the departure from the truth. If these film and video producers intend to make a 'fast buck' on the serious cases of Ufology, they will be respected more for honesty, sincerity and fair play if they drop their Journalistic license and portray the story as told. The objective manner in which *Unsolved Mysteries* produce their documentaries is an excellent model for producers to follow. So many comments of disgust have been directed to the writer, that Tracy Torme' states he is abandoning UFO's as subject matter. He says his next project would be a Western Shoot-'em-up. It would be a good opportunity to move away from trying to explain to people for the fortieth time, why he did certain things, and that it wasn't meant to be a documentary. So exits Tracy Torme' - also in disgust.

On Sunday May 23rd, I left San Francisco on a 30 day bus pass, arriving in Salt Lake City where I visited with colleagues before going on South to Farmington, New Mexico. Since there was no public transport available to Dulce, it was necessary to rent a car to visit that area. The purpose of the visit was an attempt to sort out fact from fiction. The rumours were running wild with regard to so-



called ET underground bases. (This will be discussed at the VUFORS forthcoming meeting).

From New Mexico, I continued with my bus pass, making one day stops to visit researchers and relatives. While in California, I received a 'phone call from a researcher associated with *Unsolved Mysteries*, expressing interest in the Larry Coyne Helicopter Encounter, so while in Cleveland, Ohio, I contacted Larry, whom I had previously met. I brought him up to date on the Valentich Case. He agreed to participate in a documentary which will possibly be the next UFO episode televised by that organisation.

Most of the remainder of my thirty day pass was visiting contacts in Florida. Space here will not allow for details. However, one of the highlights occurred during my visit to the Key West Area, where I received confirmation that a UFO encounter with two MIG jets from Cuba did indeed take place. One jet disintegrated. I have since learned that other cases are on record. Follow-up enquiries are in progress.

With time running short, it was necessary to fly to Richmond, Virginia to attend the MUFON UFO Symposium, where I met many of my friends, acquaintances, as well as an encounter with the leading American Skeptic, Philip Klass. An episode within itself. During the MUFON State Directors Meeting, the opportunity presented itself to announce the forthcoming Unsolved Mysteries program to be shown on Prime Time Television in North America, during September and at a time slot later in Europe.

Before leaving California, I was invited to a CEIV-INVESTIGATOR/ THERAPIST WORKSHOP (CEIV- Close Encounters of the 4th Kind - Abductions) on the 8th May, at the Rosebridge Graduate School, Integrative Psychology, Concord, California. During the session, it was mentioned that during a previous meeting at M.I.T., an Australian - I don't know who - reported the Maureen Puddy Case as an abduction. This is the incident where Judy Magee and I were the investigators present Maureen Puddy was having some sort of an experience. We had noticed that a debate which seemed to be getting out of hand, had been raging between an Australian and Dr.Jacobs. Dr.Jacobs has suggested that perhaps the ET's had erased the memories of Judy and I. During the question period, I attempted to inform the group that this was **NOT AN ABDUCTION**. I pointed out that Judy Magee and I could account for every minute. Jenny Randles has written about this same incident, in which she gets the incident back to front by attributing statements made by Maureen to Judy. None of the people involved in this *~debate~* has ever discussed this incident with either Judy or I, the investigators who were at the place where the action took place!

For more clarification of the incident, a group who was present at the workshop requested me to attend a meeting specially organised to give an update on this and other cases in which we had been involved. The following day I left California for Melbourne.

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## BASIC UFO RESOURCES

# FLYING SAUCERS vs. FLYING TAMALES

by PAUL GARSON

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"Knowledge is power" seems to be the maxim of the day. Those that have it can make the most productive decisions. Unfortunately, a little bit of knowledge can be dangerous, or at best conducive to half-baked speculation. Throw in the caveat "Don't believe anything you read, and only half of what you see," and the dilemma grows exponentially.

A case in point... and I shall digress from Ufology for a few paragraphs to illustrate a problem endemic to mankind in general, and to the discussion of UFOs by members of the general public and often enough by so-called UFO buffs, in particular. Our digression takes us not to Belgium and the recent major UFO "flap" but to nearby France where the citizens of the port city of Calais have been engulfed in a firestorm involving a serial killer brutally murdering dozens of children. The suspected culprit was confronted by an armed mob and threatened with death; the "fiend" fled the city. Bodies were reported found in fields, in cellars, in attics.

It was a horrific plague of destruction which started when the suspect began taking photos of children after accosting them in front of their school. Murder most foul. A city on a rampage of vengeance. The suspect hounded from his mother's house.

There is one glitch to this mass outpouring of civic indignation. There were no murdered children, no photographs, no indication the "suspect" had done anything at all. The police made an investigation of all the wild claims and found them to be exactly that. The cause: rumors retold, then retold again... a city in the grip of massive unemployment, its people hammered by stress on the scale of their unfounded accusations. They needed a scapegoat and vented their collective spleen on an unfortunate victim, with either inaccurate information or none at all. Other writers could and have pointed to periods of national or global stress for UFO sightings. Others could point out

that mob mentality is all too revealing of the human inclination to see what they want to believe, an easy, if all too pat, way to explain UFO phenomena.

With that long and circuitous introduction over, I'll name the avowed purpose of this article: a list of basic UFO research tools... that is, a small selection of "recommended reading" in the realm of UFO periodicals, publications, and a few books to boot that will supply you with FACTS or at least their first generation of public printed disclosure. Now I warn our readership that it is certainly a subjective, if not altogether biased, compilation, but I do believe it offers a very helpful and certainly interesting means by which one can stay "tuned in" and fairly on top of a subject that literally could be of infinite proportions.

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# CSETI VECTORS IN SPACECRAFT IN MEXICO

by JOE BURKES, MD

The Center for the Study of Extraterrestrial Intelligence is a scientific research organization dedicated to the understanding of extraterrestrial intelligence (ETI) and extraterrestrial civilizations. For CSETI, the "ET hypothesis" is no theory, it's a fact of life.

CSETI endeavors to do what it calls "real time" research on flying saucers by employing specific techniques to attract or, as Dr. Steven Greer, CSETI's director states, "vector in" extraterrestrial spacecraft to specially chosen sites. Dr. Greer calls these human initiated contacts with ETI "Close Encounters of the Fifth Kind" (CE-5) and he has successfully practiced his contact techniques in the US, Europe and, just last month, in Mexico.

I was selected to join the Mexican investigation because I speak Spanish and, more importantly, because I have been leading a group of Los Angeles CSETI researchers for six months.

After arriving in Mexico City on January 30, 1993, we immediately drove 100 miles to the volcano Popocatepetl and set up camp on its slope in a clearing surrounded by pine trees. As we looked down into the valley, we saw slowly moving over the town about 5 miles away, one, possibly two, glowing amber globe-like objects which seemed to be under intelligent control. When Dr. Greer shined the half-million candlepower signal light at one, it appeared to signal back. Later we obtained a home video of just such an object taken at a local restaurant during a wedding. That first

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# FIRE IN THE SKY

## STRANGER THAN FACT

by PAUL GARSON  
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There is an anecdote applicable to UFOs that emanates from the mouth of a notorious jewel-thief and cat burglar Murph the Surf, his turf being the sun-drenched beaches of southern Florida. When finally captured, the police asked him how was it that he had been able to commit so many brazen daylight heists, literally scaling tall buildings in broad view of witnesses. He answered, "Because people never look up."

In reference to UFOs, the connection is obvious. People rarely even glance at the skies, especially in smog-shrouded Los Angeles, and how many times have excited individuals reported a glowing UFO only to be told it was actually the planet Venus (which even now figures so prominently in our night sky.)

"Because people never look up," can also reply to research. On one hand, people don't "look up" in a reference book the position of the planets in order to avoid embarrassing misidentifications of unidentified flying objects. Perhaps even more importantly, people don't "look up" the real evidence behind the possible visitation of our planet by beings from other worlds. With the recent public success of such books as "Communion" and the television film "Intruders," the highly controversial subject of human abductions by aliens is fairly well-known, from the tacky tabloids to the hallowed halls of M.I.T. and Harvard Medical School. Thousands of cases have been reported to clinicians. It is a silent epidemic confronting our health care system, reaching the proportions of the post-traumatic delayed stress syndrome affecting Vietnam veterans and victims of childhood abuse. Something is happening, and people are looking up...finally.

However, while the media no longer pokes jokes at the expense of UFO researchers and witnesses which for years was the established response pattern, Hollywood still buckles under, not to some covert NSA/CIA conspiracy, and not to little green men, but to another green substance, money. So goes the "truth" of "Fire in the Sky." Bought out, sold out, transmogrified from fact to fancy in order to appease film executives more interested in making a commercially successful film than in telling the truth, although the truth itself is more spellbinding, more shocking, more controversial than what they opted for.

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That first night on the volcano, as the temperature dropped into the low thirties, Dr. Greer was suddenly hit by a powerful, amber-colored beam of light that appeared to come from the sky. No identifiable source was located.

The next day we travelled to a new location where, according to local authorities, sightings of UFOs during both day and night are common events. We set up a research site in a field at the base of the nearly 18,000 foot volcano. The first night there we viewed a large number of anomalous nocturnal lights that silently moved back and forth between the volcanoes. The following night we were successful beyond our wildest dreams when, at approximately

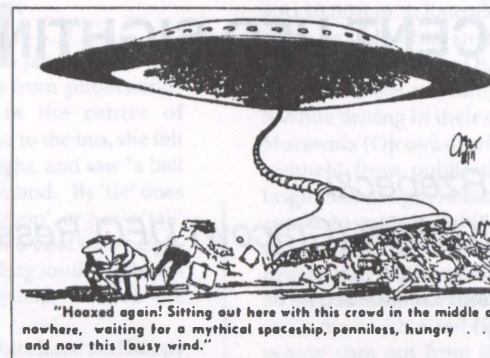
11:45 p.m., Dr. Greer directed our attention to a light moving obliquely from our position. We signalled and it changed direction and flew toward us. As it approached, we could see it had a triangular shape with a white light at each corner and a red beacon in the center. It was totally silent, highly maneuverable and swung towards us in a wide arc. Escorting it from close behind was a separate smaller craft. The larger craft appeared to be at least 300 feet across. I believe this estimate is conservative. The actual size of that beautiful dark silent craft may actually have been closer to 2 or even 3 football fields in size. The craft descended to less than 500 feet altitude and turned on its landing lights as it continued to respond to Dr. Greer's light signals. As we rushed to our camera equipment, things started to go awry. The craft stopped its descent and its flight behavior changed dramatically. Instead it started to turn in a wide arc showing its belly to us. Even though it was now aborting its simulated landing, the craft continued to signal back the light flashes it received from Dr. Greer.

While this was happening, we realized that all our cameras (video, the automatic 35mm SLR and even a spring activated cheap 110) were suddenly non-operational. The video was on and sound was being recorded but no visual input was registered. And yes, we did check to make sure the lens cap was off. The expensive 35mm was also on, yet it, too, would not function. The Brownie type camera did not even click when the button was pushed. It appeared as if something or someone did not want photographic documentation of the event. Later all equipment started working and continued to do so for the remainder of our trip.

This event was the high point of our journey. Space here does not allow for a more complete description of important events that preceded and followed this possibly historic encounter. Perhaps at a future meeting I will be able to address our MUFON-LA section and recount some of the other experiences, including no less than two detentions on the highway by corrupt Mexican Federal Police, the daylight sightings of metallic discs, and a Close Encounter of the Third Kind described to us by local villagers. For those who are able to attend the Whole Life Expo, I am scheduled to give a 30-minute lecture and a separate two-hour workshop on CSETI's efforts to communicate with extraterrestrial intelligence.

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On November 5, 1975, Travis Walton, then 23, and six other members of an Arizona logging crew encountered a UFO. Travis went to investigate, was struck down by a beam of light, his companions promptly racing away in fear. Travis re-appeared five days later, after his friends are thought guilty of murdering him. Traumatized, he reveals that he was abducted by two types of aliens, one group less than 5-foot tall, bald, with chalky white skin and large brown eyes, dressed in "orangeish-brown" coveralls. The second type were six-foot tall "humans" with brownish-blond hair and gold-hazel eyes, wearing blue uniforms and bubble-shaped helmets. Travis Walton and the six witnesses all eventually took and passed polygraph tests.



But the truth was apparently not good enough for the film makers. Evidently it needed embellishment, a "horrorification" makeover, so that a supposedly jaded audience would get their money's worth. The project would be axed, it was stated, if the story retained the true description of the abduction

wherein the now "classic Greys," large-headed, large-eyed humanoids abducted and clinically examined a human for unknown purposes. The story was old hat, according to the studio execs. So the special effects team got to work and created a terrifying image of an alien spacecraft and its inhabitants. Very well-done, horrifyingly effective, riveting, yes, but true to the story...not in the least.

While the film is touted as a "mystery rather than a UFO picture," and there is most certainly a mystery of cosmic proportions involved, it is still a story about a UFO kidnapping a human being, therefore, a UFO picture.

However, and it is certainly the most important, and positive, aspect of the film and to its rightful credit, "Fire in the Sky" clearly illustrates the emotional trauma caused by such events, not only to the victims, but to all those around them, from family members and loved ones to the extended community in which they live. Distrust, suspicion, even hatred are emotions involved, leaving scars that often never heal. They are the legacy of ignorance and fear incurred both by the people experiencing the phenomenon and by those who would still cloud the true picture, either for the sake of "national security" or for the "almighty dollar." The result is the same, a blanket of disinformation clouding the enigmatic UFO issue.

Now, more than ever, it is time to look up...and to see the truth, whatever it may be.

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## SOME RECENT UFO SIGHTINGS IN POLAND

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(Edited and corrected by G.C.)

### A. NOVEMBER 5 1990

On November 5, 1990, three men from a Polish Army infantry unit at Opole, Arkadiusz Adamiec, Tadeusz Krzyzak, and Mariusz Skaznik, observed a strange phenomenon.

"It occurred at a few minutes after 7.00 p.m. We had just finished supper, and went outside. Then suddenly, looking up, we saw a group of probably as many as about 20 red shining balls travelling rapidly towards the centre of the town. Most of them had 'tails' which glowed brightly, just as red as the balls themselves.

Then, about 5-8 seconds later, a second group of the balls appeared, also with 'tails'. The number of balls in this second group was smaller.

At exactly the same time, on the other side of Opole, other eyewitnesses were also observing strange balls. One of these witnesses was Mr. Pawel Wozniak, a pilot, and this is what he later told me:-

"No — it was no question of 'rockets', or 'fireworks', or of 'jet planes'! I could detect no sound of engines whatsoever. I likewise rule out any possibility of meteors, because the trajectory was totally different from the trajectory of meteors. These things had pulsating flames..."

That same evening, on the road from Opole to Wrocław (old German name Breslau. G.C.) a large number of cars were to be seen parked along the way. Their drivers had got out and were looking up at the sky. Among these drivers was Mr. Jan Czabanowski of Nysa. He said later:-

"It was a cluster of lights, very similar to stars, all of them red and pulsating. I counted a total of more than 40 of them".

A twelve-year-old girl, Miss Joasia Kruszezewska, who lives at Glubczyce, near Opole, said that, after attending mass, she had come out of the church and seen "strange 'glow-worms' in the sky — like a swarm of shining red stars. Some of them looked like comets and had long 'tails'. They vanished just as rapidly as they had appeared".

Mr. Grzegorz L— (name withheld from publication) was standing at about 7.00 p.m. at a tram-stop in Częstochowa when he saw some bright shining points of light, of varying sizes, passing over rapidly from West to East. He said they were red and yellow in colour. The leading one was larger than the others. The sighting lasted about half-a-minute.

An almost identical report came in from a Mrs. Zofia P— (name withheld from publication) of Myszków. She too saw the formation of lights with a larger one leading. She said there were about ten of the lights, and they had trails. She said that most of them were moving slowly, while two were faster.

On the same day, at about 7.00 p.m., a sighting occurred at Chmielnik (district of Kielce) where a Mr. Kazimierz Słomka and his family saw a group of flashing lights travelling rapidly from West to East at an altitude estimated by him to be about 500 metres.

Mr. Zdzisław Kilim of Kielce also reported a

sighting, and gave a precise time for it — 7.02 p.m. He said: "Three lights appeared on the horizon, moving in a triangular formation from West to East. There were two trails, sparky and colourful". The phenomenon was visible for some 15 seconds, and then they were gone.

Finally, for this same general group of sightings of November 5, 1990, we have a mass of further reports and statements, all now being investigated and examined, so that no conclusions can be given yet.

### B. FURTHER SERIES OF EVENTS REPORTED FOR JANUARY 18, 1991

1. Between 3.00 and 4.00 p.m. on January 18, 1991, Mrs. L— B— (name withheld from publication) was waiting at a bus-stop in the centre of Częstochowa. As she stepped on to the bus, she felt impelled to glance up to her right, and saw "a ball with a tie" (meaning not understood. By 'tie' does our reporter mean a 'link', or 'loop', or just a 'tail' or 'trail'? G.C.) floating over the roof of a neighbouring building. It was travelling southwards and accelerating, and vanished quickly behind the houses.

Somehow Mrs. L— B— felt elated and happy about the sighting, and this state of pleasure lasted until the evening.

She was now at home, and between 9.00 and 9.30 p.m. she heard a sort of 'rustling' sound from outside a balcony window. She looked out through the window, and saw two individuals there. She felt no fear. She went to the kitchen, and put out some food and two plates and two glasses on the table, opened the window, invited the two strangers in, and then sat down on her bed. But the strangers remained motionless there. She thought they were about 1.75 to 1.8 m. in height, with bodies very similar to humans. One of them was wearing a one-piece suit, and the other wore a cloak and had something "shaped like a pancake" on his head. The clothing was of a whitish-grey-silvery colour. [Fig.1].

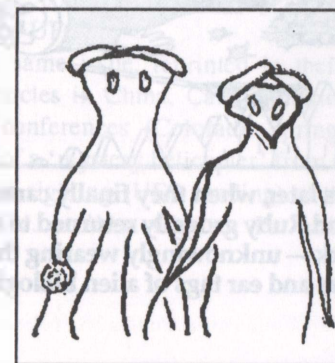


Fig. 1 Aliens seen in CZĘSTOCHOWA 1991.01.18

This sighting lasted for about seven minutes. No physical traces were found.

2. On the same day, at 10.17 p.m., in Skarżysko, Mr. Wojciech Dygas saw a bright reddish-yellow object passing at tremendous speed through the sky. Suddenly it emitted a smaller object, which went off in a different direction.

3. Between 10.45 and 11.00 p.m., witnesses in Kraków (Cracow) saw "a ball with a tie". It landed in the village of Batowice, outside Kraków, and a round, burnt trace-mark was subsequently found at the spot. The diameter of this trace-mark was between two and three metres.

4. At 10.50 p.m. at Katowice, witnesses saw "a red ball with a tie and a white aura around it". The thing was of the apparent size of half the diameter of the full Moon, and was travelling towards the South.

5. While driving in their car at 10.49-10.50 p.m., at Murownia (Ojców district) Mr and Mrs K— (name withheld from publication) saw a very powerful bright ball of light in the sky. They pulled up and got out to watch it. Suddenly it emitted a jet of light vapour and started to descend. Then, as it got nearer, they realized that it looked like a cigar, some 30 metres long. On the top of the front of it there was a mast with a red light. A stream of the hot vapour shot out from the rear end of the object [Fig. 2.]

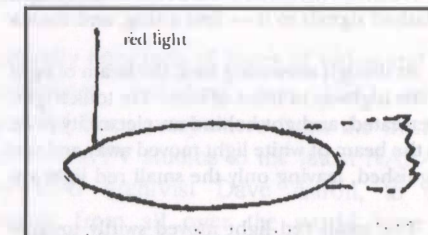


Fig. 2 object seen in MUROWNIA 1991.01.18.

Further reports about events on this same date, January 18, 1991 are still coming in to us. (Polish Translator's Note: Two previous very similar dates in Poland were August 20, 1979, and December 2, 1983).

### [A TABLE OF UFO ACTIVITY IN POLAND (1989-1991)]

This splendid Report from Mr. Bronislaw Rzepecki also contains a detailed List, giving some 44 "UFO episodes" in Poland between March 1989 and April 1991, showing the place, time of day, number of eyewitnesses, and category of sighting. Such a detailed catalogue would have assuredly been of great interest to many folk in the early or mid-1950s, no doubt, but today, alas, we are a lot further along the road in our knowledge of what the Aliens are up to here, and I suggest that such



cataloguing is now a total waste of time (and of about as much value as the childish British habit of spotting train-numbers or aircraft-numbers).

Regrettably our very limited number of pages in FSR are too valuable for us to be able to publish lists of this sort unless of course they present some very unusual feature. EDITOR FSR.]

#### FINAL REPORT BY BRONISLAW RZEPECKI

The last Polish report that we have to give is of July 23, 1990. At 11.00 p.m. on that day, in Rybnik, Mr. Stanislaw Kufka stepped out of his house and found that his dog had broken the chain by which he was tied up. Looking upwards to his right, Mr. Kufka beheld a beam of powerful white light in the sky, and a small red light moving beneath it. This beam of white light was moving around erratically, as though searching for something on the ground. No sound was to be heard. The beam of white light was about 200 m. or 300 m. from him. (He says that had it been a helicopter he would clearly have heard the roar of its engine).

He shone his torch towards the beam of light and flashed signals to it — first a ring, and then a cross.

As though answering him, the beam of light lit up the highway in front of him. He took fright, and retreated, and got behind an electricity pole. Then the beam of white light moved away and was extinguished, leaving only the small red light visible.

The small red light moved swiftly towards him again. And now it was very low, and finally right above him, at a height which he estimates to have been about 20 metres.

Then the white beam of light came on again, and struck part of the witness's leg.\* Terrified, he ran to a near-by house, but found that there was nobody awake there. He returned to the same place on the road. The UFO was still hovering there, but now he could see a ladder, on the left hand side of the red light, and on the ladder there was a being. Owing to the glare of the adjacent street-lights, he was unable to see any details of the being.

When the being had entered the UFO, the ladder was drawn up and the red light was extinguished.

As regards the shape of the UFO, the eyewitness said he was unable to get a good view of it, but that he thought it was *cigar-shaped or elliptical*.

His leg was painful for the whole of the next day, but there was no mark on it.

#### \* NOTE BY EDITOR, FSR.

For an identical sort of case, which befell a French Air Force pilot and his lady friend in September 1956, see "*The UFO As Big As A House*" in the French best-seller "*La Nouvelle Vague Des Soucoupes Volantes*" by Jean-Claude Bourret (1974), translated by me as *The Crack In The Universe* and published by Neville Spearman. ■

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Hours later, when they finally came to, Hal and Ruby groggily returned to their yard work — unknowingly wearing the radio collars and ear tags of alien biologists.

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## FLYING TOMALES

Reading can nurture new ideas and avenues of research. And now I let fly. Pick and choose as you deem fit. (You have your own ~Top Ten~ you say? Let us hear about them)

### MY TOP TEN CHOICES.

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Plummerville,

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A recent issue featured a story (April, 1992) from Costa Rica. A nationwide black-out was caused by a UFO hovering over a major electric power plant and sucking up the electricity. Described by the plant manager who witnessed the sighting as a 'flying tamale that glowed'. Did we hear about that in our papers? A whole country black-out by an ~officially~ reported UFO?

In the same issue, reprinted in their entirety: crop circles in China, Ca. summaries of local UFO conferences (Colorado Springs, Co): a photo of a 'mystery helicopter' from Cairo, Ga; a major sighting (UFO landing) at the Lukens Steel Co. in West Chester, Pa. articles from

Gulf Breeze: large UFO's repeatedly sighted over Stratford -upon Avon, England (Shakespeare's home) and more and more.

Real articles, real people, literally hot, or at least still warm off the presses, gleaned from all over the US, from big cities to small towns as well as samples from England, Australia and other countries.

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#### 3. INFO Journal

International Fortean Society Publication

P.O. Box 367

Arlington, Va. 22210-0367

\$16/quarterly.

Charles Fort was and is the most avid collector of things strange, odd, bizarre, and fascinating. This publication carries on that

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## Observations in 1992

The first six months of the year were rather quiet with respect to the number of incoming reports. However, when the summer approached, reports became more frequent and among other things, a CE-III observation became known to the report centre. The observation soon spurred media interest and received substantial mention in July.

### Guddal, 12 January 1992

**Date:** 12 January 1992  
**Time:** 12.15 pm  
**Duration:** N/A  
**Place:** Guddal, Southern Norway  
**Witness:** Sindre Naterstad  
**Nature of sighting:** Shining object

Sindre Naterstad from Seimsfoss was observing a star through a telescope, when he became aware of an unusual phenomenon. He caught sight of a shining object which moved in a sort of zig-zag pattern and disappeared. Further observational data were not available at the moment of writing.

We will, however, give the case further mentioning if more information should surface.

### Alvdal, 14 January 1992

**Date:** 14 January 1992  
**Time:** 10.00 pm  
**Duration:** 45 minutes  
**Place:** Tronfjell in Alvdal valley, Southern Norway  
**Witnesses:** Agnes and Egil Selboe  
**Nature of sighting:** Several "stars"

On 14 January the married couple Agnes and Egil Selboe became aware of several strange light phenomena in the airspace around Tronfjell.

They were about to go to bed when they quite incidentally looked out of the window. A light the size of a bright star suddenly began to move. In the same moment several points of light appeared, as many as ten, which moved around in a circle. The couple didn't observe continuously, however, they went back and fro the window intermittently. The last time they looked out of the window, they noticed a new large "star" which hadn't been present before. It dissolved suddenly into many small stars, which began to circulate before they disappeared. The whole event lasted for some 45 minutes. The couple

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UFO-Norway News gives an overview over current Norwegian UFO-cases together with general excerpts from the Norwegian magazine "UFO". The magazine is published 1-2 times a year in English. It is available through subscription, and the following prices are valid for 1993: NOK 50,- pr. year in Europe and NOK 60,- in the USA and elsewhere (approx. USD 7 and 8, respectively). This is your only chance to get information about the Norwegian UFO-scene in the English language. Give your order and payment to UFO-Norway News, attn. Mentz Kaarbø, P.O.Box 4332, Nygårdstangen, N-5028 Bergen, Norway. Orders payable only in Norwegian funds drawn on a Norwegian bank (cheques) or by International Money Order. Subscribers using bank cheques, please add NOK 10,- due to fees. To avoid fees completely, it is possible to send money in local currency (only notes) in lined envelopes at the risk of the sender.

had never experienced anything similar, and maintained that corona borealis was out of the question. Agnes Selboe said to the newspaper Østlendingen that she has good sight and regards herself as being reasonably sensible.

### Trondheim, 21 January 1992

**Date:** 21 January 1992  
**Time:** N/A  
**Duration:** N/A  
**Place:** Trondheim  
**Witness:** Several  
**Nature of sighting:** Red-yellow light with "core"

On 21 January a red light was observed in the sky above Trondheim. From several places a red-yellow light which "sprouted" outwards from a "core" was reported. The observations were discussed on one of the local radio stations in Trondheim, and people made many phone calls.

A series of calls to various institutions established that there hadn't been any rocket launches from the Andøya site (the only of its kind in Norway, situated some 800 km to the north); no military exercises in the nearby areas. The Meteorological office reported that the conditions were not favourable for thunderstorms and ball lightning.

However, the day after the case was resolved; bomb shells had been destructed at Søberg, the Army's camp for storage and maintenance of ammunition.

### UFOs over Southeastern Norway

During roughly the last two and a half years (since January 1990), several observations have been made over the coastal area of Southeastern Norway, roughly around the town of Arendal. Due to problems in collecting reliable eyewitness accounts, UFO-NORGE is presently able to give just a sketchy description of what's going on in these areas.

To give but a glimpse of the present events, we

will give a case originating on 21 January this year.

### Arendal, 21 January 1992

Tuesday 21 January at 9.30 pm, a strange object was observed. It moved past the water tower and mast at the Hisøy island, situated some 2-3 km south of the centre of Arendal. The object was visible for ca. 10 minutes, while moving back and fro sideways, as seen from some distance. The witness had never seen anything like it - and the report centre commented that it didn't correspond to any known aircraft.

### Close encounter near Hamar

**Date:** 9 March 1992  
**Time:** First encounter: 10.00 pm; second encounter: N/A  
**Duration:** N/A  
**Place:** Near Hamar, Southern Norway  
**Witnesses:** Two women (anonymous)  
**Nature of sighting:** Triangular object with two humanoids at close range

On 9 March two women had an observation which appeared unusual and frightening. Reports of close encounters of the third kind are rare in Norway, whatever may happen worldwide.

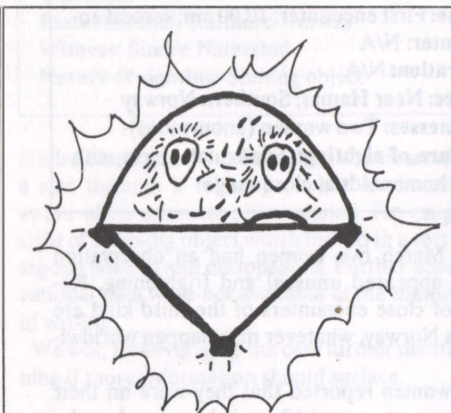
The women reported that they were on their way home at around 10 pm, when they heard a low-frequency sound which could be felt as well as heard. It was described as between that of a train and a car with the engine running idle. It was deep and vibrating.

Suddenly they saw a powerful white light, and the shape of an object inside the light. The light was dazzling and their eyes got sore; nevertheless they couldn't resist looking at the strange phenomenon now hovering 2-3 m above the ground and some 15 m in front of them on the road. The object was triangle-shaped underneath and had a cupola made of transparent glass (or a similar material). Despite the powerful light,

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they could glimpse a light on the apex of each pointing end (see drawing). Suddenly the light faded away, as if manipulated by a light-dampening switch. The women thought the object was gone; suddenly, however, it was present again. Now they could see clearly that two persons were sitting inside, moving in a "chattering" way. The women went towards the object, despite being terrified and uneasy. The person to the right appeared to have something like a steering wheel in front of him, and he seemed to have long, fair hair. One of the women suggested it could have been light instead of hair. She also obtained a rather sinister eye contact with this person, now a mere 2 m away. He had large black eyes, possibly slanted at the top. Inside these black eyes she could clearly see black pupils. The glance was cold, piercing and malicious.



Hamar, 09.03.92.

The object disappeared rather abruptly, it was just gone; they couldn't describe whether it moved or not.

Later that evening, at the home of one of the women, they suddenly heard the same sound outside the window in the bedroom. The sound grew stronger, and the women thought the object would fly straight through the room and they plunged to the floor. It seemed as if the object went right above the house, and the women described the feeling as having an earthquake

through their bodies.

This experience was, if possible, even more disturbing than the event on the road.

Duration of observation was impossible to assess, since they had no comprehension of time, neither by the event on the road nor in the sleeping room.

After the event, both witnesses had auditory problems, together with simultaneous nose bleeding. One of the witnesses also suffered from temporary visual impairment for one week. During the following month, both of them felt completely drained of energy.

The women's descriptions of the experience agree well, with the exception that one of them couldn't give any details regarding the beings inside the craft; she just observed the movements of the arms and the shape. In addition she thought that the craft was more round, instead of triangular at the bottom, as the other woman described. One of the women is interested in regression hypnosis, and feels that much may have happened that she cannot recall.

#### Veggli in the Numedalen valley

**Date:** 19-20 April 1992  
**Time:** Around midnight  
**Duration:** 2-20 minutes  
**Place:** Veggli in Rollag municipality, Southern Norway  
**Witness:** Several  
**Nature of sighting:** Phenomenon with powerful blinks

The night between 19 and 20 April, around midnight, unknown light phenomena were observed in the night sky.

The observations were made in an area which is used by the Air Force for low level exercise flights; hence activity by fighter aircraft is usual. Three of the witnesses are especially interested in airplanes (one of them is an active glider pilot), and the observed phenomena could not be compared with the lights on civil or military

aircraft. In addition they appeared to be completely soundless. The altitude was estimated to be stratospheric; the time taken to fly from horizon to horizon was some two minutes.

Several observations were made in the same area. Satellites could be ruled out.

By one occasion the object halted and was motionless for 20 minutes before it disappeared at a great speed. The two brothers Thorleif Magne and Bjørn Kristian Lentz reported that the object came from SSE towards NNW. They caught sight of it due to some powerful blinks of white light. Observed through binoculars it was established that the light blinks appeared as lightrays or streaks, alternating with a weak yellow light which was invisible to the naked eye. During its course over the sky the phenomenon featured the following order in the light change:

- \* 1: weak yellow light for one second.
- \* 2: strong white light blink/streaks.
- \* 3: weak yellow light for one second.
- \* 4: darkness for one second.

This sequence was repeated during the entire flight.

#### ALIEN HUNT MOVES TO AUSTRALIA

Australia is set to assume a key role in the search for life in outer space.

NASA has targeted about 1000 stars in its search for aliens and until now has been using American radio telescopes.

However, next year a team will fly to Australia with a 10 million channel mobile spectrum analyser to study the 172 of the target stars that are only visible from the southern hemisphere.

The stars will be studied by scientists who will be based at the Parkes radio telescope in NSW for a five month period.

The Australian co-ordinator of the project, Dr Kelvin Wellington, flew to America in June to sign documents confirming the role of the CSIRO in the SETI (Search for Extraterrestrial Intelligence) Project.

(SOURCE: Sunday Mail 13/6/83)

**Date:** 2 May 1992  
**Time:** 4.30 am  
**Duration:** 2-3 minutes  
**Place:** Strømmen, 20 km east of Oslo  
**Witness:** One woman  
**Nature of sighting:** Large sphere with white light

On 2 May a woman reported seeing a large round sphere with white light. The woman happened to be awake at 4.30 am in the morning when she caught sight of a strange phenomenon from the window. A barn was situated 300 m away from the house, and just above the roof she saw a large round sphere, equipped with a strong white light. She described the relative size as that of a 10-øre on an outstretched arm (corresponding to the full moon).

The object hovered motionless for ca. 2-3 minutes, before it disappeared. She didn't see how it disappeared, because she had risen to her feet in order to get closer to the window. However, in this short period of time the phenomenon had disappeared.

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# National Labs, UNM Search for Taos Hum

► A Sandia National Laboratories engineer says the sound appears to be "an acoustical signal," but no one has pinpointed the source yet.

By Nancy Stapp

JOURNAL CORRESPONDENT.

National laboratory and university scientists have set up sophisticated monitoring equipment at the home of two artists south of town in hopes of pinpointing the elusive hum.

Working out of a recreational vehicle and inside the home of Bob and Catanya Saltzman, a photographer and dancer who have complained long and loud about the sound, the task force of about a dozen scientists will collect information throughout the week.

"I believe what I'm hearing right now is an acoustical signal," electrical engineer Harold Poteet of Sandia National Laboratories said in an interview Monday from the Saltzmans' home.

Poteet said he heard the sound — described as a low, pulsating vibration — without the aid of monitoring equipment. He said he has no clue where it is coming from.

The task force was formed at the request of Rep. Bill Richardson, D-N.M. and Rep. Steve Schiff, R-N.M., after dozens of northern New Mexicans reported hearing and experiencing ill effects from the sound in the past two years.

The scientists set up equipment to conduct large-scale seismic, acoustical and electromagnetic measurements. Sandia and Los Alamos national laboratories are providing staff members with expertise in measuring sounds and electromagnetic signals.

The Air Force's Phillips Laboratory is providing

geophones to measure vibration in the ground, and University of New Mexico hearing experts are lending their expertise.

"I've looked in the literature as far as electromagnetics is concerned," Poteet said. "And based on what I read in the literature, it appears to me people are sufficiently insensitive to electromagnetics that they can't sense the kinds of levels that we expect to see here, which leads me to believe we're hearing an acoustical signal."

Richardson said in February he was asking the Defense Department to help trace the hum's origin. But the department informed Sen. Pete Domenici, R-N.M., last month it has no projects that might be causing the sound.

Catanya Saltzman said she suffers from maladies that include throbbing headaches, sleeplessness, nausea, rapid heartbeat and a lack of concentration

because of the noise.

Saltzman said she and her husband have heard from more than 100 area residents, and many others from across the country, who have complained of similar sound-related symptoms.

"My head feels like it's coming off. If we don't find the sound and stop it, we're going to have to leave because there is no way to keep living with this," Catanya Saltzman said in the couple's attractive brick home five miles south of town.

"Whatever this is, it's being produced all over this country and we may have to leave this country to get away from it," she added. "Hopefully we can find a place that doesn't have this insidious, horrible, nightmarish monster."

Despite assertions to the contrary from the Defense Department, Saltzman said she believes the agency is the culprit.

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## UFOs Reported In Siberia

Report by Mike Wootten

Tass, the news agency of the former Soviet Union has reported a spate of UFO sightings in Chelyabinsk province, Siberia.

The report, dated 14th August 1992 refers to articles that have appeared in a local newspaper, 'Chelyabinsk Rabochi', which claims that several witnesses from the province have sighted revolving 'flying saucers' of an aluminium-silver hue that appear at dawn and during the night. The report stated, 'As a rule, they come flying from the side of the Ziuraratkul lake and the mountain ridge bearing the same name.'

Fyodor Stepanovich Nesterov, a resident of Magitka - the focal point of the sightings - has now seen the objects three times. He said, "...They sailed over the school hill (where electric power lines pass) without making any noise and disappeared in the direction of the Chyomaya Rivulet and Bolshay

Boom." Fyodor also stated that he clearly saw illuminated windows and navigational lights on the sides of the UFOs.

Tass also reported that police officers from Novosibirsk, Siberia were called out by local peasant farmers who were complaining that 'wood goblins' were churning water taken from a nearby marsh. The water in a bucket was spinning endlessly. Video equipment which police brought to film the phenomenon failed to operate correctly, which resulted in a poor recording. Biologists were called to the scene who later claimed that some invisible force was effecting the water. A man who dared to put his finger in the bucket said he felt a burning pain along with pins and needles.

Local ufologists alleged that the phenomenon was caused by UFOs. Apparently the water is still spinning.

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# Historical Background of Ufology in Yugoslavia

by Milos Krmelj

The report on the UFO situation in Yugoslavia that I would like to present here would be incomplete without giving some facts on the development of Ufology in Yugoslavia.

It was in 1954 - yes, only seven years after the sighting made by Arnold - when the Yugoslav press first began to write on UFOs. More exactly, it was a series of articles (fragments) from the second book by Donald E. Keyhoe, 'Flying Saucers From Outer Space', published by 'Slovenian Weekly TT' (Weekly Tribune), which had at that time an extremely high impression - 100 000 copies - while the total population of Slovenia did not exceed one and a half million. The series excited almost sensational interest among the readers of the weekly. Soon after, other Yugoslav papers also published these articles: Ufology in Yugoslavia was born. This of course means that there were to be more articles published about UFOs which caused people to talk about flying saucers, but they never formed any associations which would concern itself with the investigations of the phenomenon.

## Wave

In 1954, as soon as the series of Keyhoe's articles had been published, the well-known wave of UFO sightings over Europe took place, culminating with numerous landings in France. Some of these sightings also took place in Yugoslavia. They were mainly sightings of airborne objects and there were no cases of close encounters which was probably due to the mass media blockade on such cases. Namely, while some papers enthusiastically wrote about UFO visitors from space, other papers took these events for delusions, meteorological phenomena and secret weapons etc. This, of course, is a

polarisation which is known to all of us and which can be found in all parts of the world.

Further, I would like to mention that there have been some letters from eyewitnesses at that time, yet they were not published. These "lost" letters would undoubtedly be an interesting source of information on UFO activity in 1954. As far as we know, there existed a formal debating group of a few Slovene intellectuals who took an interest in UFO events. Probably, these letters, if they still exist, could be found with some of the members of this group. It is quite possible that these letters include some information on early close encounters.

In the following ten years there was not much to be heard on ufological events in Yugoslavia. In that period, papers rarely issued a report or two on UFOs, yet the information on the famous project of American military aviation, Blue Book, was published every year in one of the Slovene newspapers.

As I have already mentioned, things began to move again in the middle of the sixties. In 1966, the above-mentioned weekly TT published a series of extracts from the book of John Fuller, 'Incident at Exeter'. Soon after, 'Tovarish', another weekly magazine, published a series of articles on ufology; information varying from the viewpoints of George Adamski to those of the military aviation of the USA. Other Slovene dailies and weeklies also published some minor articles on UFOs. The same goes for the other Yugoslav

press, yet we have only slight knowledge about what Serbo-Croatian papers wrote on the UFO phenomenon at that time.

Another thing began to occur in our papers at that time. News on UFO sightings in our country began to be published for the first time and that enabled our readers to compare UFO events in Slovenia with those which took place in Europe and in the USA.

In 1967, the first ufological organisation was founded in Slovenia. It was the first such association in Yugoslavia and probably the first one in Eastern Europe. It was the Yugoslav branch of the well-known English organisation, 'Contact UK', known as 'Sky Scouts' at that time. The association was formally registered which, at that time, was of great importance otherwise it would have met with serious trouble. Yet this association, which rarely gathered facts on UFO events, was nothing more than a registered debating club. Though they were pioneers in ufology, they did not practice investigations into UFO sightings, they did not edit any publication nor did they carry out any activities connected with any kind of UFO research. In the debating sense, this association carried out its activities until 1970.

## Intensive

In the meantime, the euphoric landing of Aldrin and Armstrong on the Moon took place, thus, in the cosmic sense, the year 1969 was really an active one that, somehow artificially, prolonged the existence of the debating club. Its activities passed away in 1970 which was, to ufology, a rather peaceful year. Then came the year 1971. It stated as peacefully as the previous one, but towards its end things began to happen: things that have not been noted in the Yugoslavian chronicles yet: a very intensive and strong wave of UFO sightings, including radar-screen observations and numerous UFO flights over various regions of Yugoslavia. There was a sighting nearly every single day. This wave of sightings, which started towards the end of September 1971, slowly decreased and finally extinguished in December of the same

year.

As I have already mentioned, the 'Sky Scouts' association was finally dissolved, yet some members of this debating club still took an interest in UFO events. As a student and a member of NICAP and APRO, I also continued to take an interest.. Discussing these things with other students during studies in the Central Technical Library in Ljubljana, we came to the idea of forming an ufological association which would be able to edit its own publication and to function much more seriously than the debating club did.



Milos

As a student, I was a member of an astrophysical association within SOLT (Students Organisation of Popular Technics). So I turned to SOLT and asked them to give us the status of an association within their organisation. After some months of preparation and "paper war" [sic], the UFO (NLP) association ZVEZA SOLT was formally founded on March 10th, 1972. As you can see, there is the international expression for unidentified flying objects in the first part of the name of our association; in the brackets there is the Slovene abbreviation for UFO. The remaining part of the name belongs to the basic organisation to which we are associated. as soon as we became an association we started to publish UFO

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(NLP) INFORMATOR which was issued in a cyclostyle form in April 1972.

We began to cooperate with the leading Slovene weekly, Nedeljski Dnevnik, and things began to move for the better. UFO INFORMATOR should have been issued bi-monthly, yet in fact, it was issued every three months. It was published in the Slovene language only and its impression was around 500 copies, which were mainly sold in some selected bookshop.

By the year 1975, we had gathered nearly 100 cases of UFO sightings and, moreover, as the only active organisation of its kind in Yugoslavia, we occasionally appeared in Serbo-Croatian papers also.

Towards the end of 1975, Yugoslavia was taken by another wave of UFO sightings, in some details, quite similar to those of 1971: radar-screen observations and even cases of close encounters. In this period, our association was already active in the mass communications of the press and radio etc.

In 1976, we changed the name of UFO (NLP) INFORMATOR to Odiseja (Odyssey) and extended the range of our activities on other unusual phenomena the journal was still being issued every three months. In 1977 we printed the journal for the first time in Serbo-Croatian and it began to be issued bi-monthly, but due to high printing costs we were forced to return to reproducing cyclostyle copies. In 1978 we edited it again in the Slovene language.

In 1976 and 1977 there were a lot of UFO sightings reported in Slovenia and because of their unusual nature they caused us great sensation. There were some cases of close encounters of the second kind (with traces left behind) and even a case of a close encounter of the third kind.

#### Slovene Flap

After the year 1978, the number of UFO sightings continually declined and reached its minimum in 1986 and 1987

when it began to rise again. Most surprising was the year 1988 when we were suddenly confronted by a true wave of UFO sightings which, in the summer of that year, extended from one of the Slovene regions to the very vicinity of Ljubljana, the capital of Slovenia.

This last wave of sightings has not yet been treated as a whole, therefore we could not yet reach a final conclusion. Moreover, interesting sightings in that year have already been reported. One should not forget that Slovenia embraces an area of only 20 000 square kilometres while Yugoslavia has an area that is twelve times larger. Besides, relationships between Slovenia and the southern republics are weak which makes it impossible to be informed about UFO sightings in the south of Yugoslavia. We possess some pieces of information which point to the fact that there had been sightings, yet this information is very shallow and inaccurate, preventing us from reaching certain conclusions.

After all that we know so far, it can be said that there have been the following waves of UFO sightings in Slovenia and in Yugoslavia in: 1954, 1967, 1971, 1975, 1979(?) and 1988. Between these years, there were some mini waves in 1973, 1976 and 1977.

#### The Debunkers

Regarding this situation, I must point out that the so-called true scientists in Slovenia, and likewise in Yugoslavia, show no real interest in ufology. If they do, their position is entirely negative and follow the ideas of Donald H. Menzel and Philip Klass. One of the major opponents of ufology was Dr. Fran Dominko, a Slovenian astronomer. Yet some years before his death, he largely changed his viewpoint on UFOs. This was due to his assistant who had reported a UFO sighting and to other moments [sic] also (studying the relevant literature in his retirement etc.). Another sceptic was the notorious Dr. Tatomir Andzelic, a Serbian astronomer and space expert, who represents a Yugoslav copy of Donald H. Menzel or Philip Klass. His standing is that only drunkards, perverts and deranged persons see UFOs. A few years ago, he talked a lot on this matter

which was later published in the papers. In this way, he has done much harm to serious ufological activities in Yugoslavia. For the time being there is not much to be heard of him.

There exist another person which we must mention, Colonel Stevan Kords, author of an extraordinary explanation of UFO sightings in Yugoslavia. This former military officer and author of numerous articles in the military magazine FRONT, tried from 1971 to 1975 to persuade his readers that UFOs were nothing but automatic gliding balloons, sent to Yugoslavia by NATO forces on spy missions. It did not strike his mind, at least, that it might have been CNES balloons which periodically make observations all over the world. We could never understand his insistence over such explanations as we had already marched into the period of satellites and small automatic, pilotless planes. Unofficially, this was supposed to be the standpoint even of the military aviation of the JLA (Yugoslav Peoples' Army), though JLA has never published an official statement. The JLA is a stiff, bureaucratic and privileged military organisation which has made little contact with the public. We do not doubt that our military aviation possesses a large file of UFO records, yet we do not think we will ever be able to get some information from them.

#### The Literature

On closing my report, I would like to say something on UFO literature that has been published so far in Yugoslavia.

First of all, there still exists only one ufological publication called BILTEN and edited by our association four times a year. It is issued in the form of Xerox copies in Slovene and Serbo-Croatian languages.

As for books, in 1976, a newspaper man, called Jovan Knezvic, published a sensational book, 'NLP - Sabluda Ili Stvarnost?' (UFO - Delusion or Reality?). The book was written in the Serbo-Croatian language. In 1980, the book of J. Allen Hynek, 'The Hynek UFO Report' came out in Slovene translation. Then in 1987, 'The World's Greatest UFO Mysteries', by Nigel Blundell appeared

in Slovenia, and finally last year, the book of Milos Krmelj, 'Neznani Leteci Predmeti' (UFOs), written in Slovene.

There has been some more books, published in Serbo-Croatian, Like, 'Misterij Letecih Tanjira' (The Mystery of Flying Saucers) by Adolf Bele. I would dispose of a limited quantity of these last two books to those of you who would be interested in them.

Among the publications which do not concern themselves with ufology only, but also with other para-scientific phenomena, we must mention the monthly TAJNE (Secrets) and the magazine ARKO. Both magazines are sold freely, but they are issued in Serbo-Croatian only.

#### Other Associations

As I have already mentioned, our association is the most active, but besides that, we are the only organisation which occupies itself with on-the-spot investigations. Among other associations, if they could be called as such, there exists one in Belgrade. Their model is that of George Adamski; the other organisation is split into two fields of investigation, maritime archaeology and para-scientific phenomena. There exists at least two other associations, but they are probably nothing more than debating clubs.

At the moment, we can say that the mass media in our country is quite favourable to ufology and paranormal phenomena. Yet their interests oscillates according to the editorial policy within the individual medium. For the time being, radio stations in Slovenia are more favourable to ufology than is TV. In other republics, however, there has been quite a few TV transmissions on this matter.

#### Out of the Stone Age

Finally, I would like to say that in the sense of ufology, Yugoslavia is still in the Stone Age, but we are trying advance out of it.

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# Australian Sighting Reports

## Victorian

Date/Time	Location	Details
June 28 2130	Ferntree Gully (Melb.)	Brilliant light- seen through binoculars, appeared octagonal. Like spider-web. Blue & red light on side-hovered-moved to south -appeared to have something sticking out from side.
June 28	Northcote (Melb.)	Group of 4 lights above city - all went in different ways - one stopped - dimmed as if going away. No clouds - object bright orange.
June 28 2300	Northcote	4 orange steady lights, below clouds -'about size of Venus'. no noise, going Sth. -2 witnesses.
June 28 2245	Clifton Hill (Melb.)	4 amber/orange lights going N to SW - about 70deg above horizon. changed position in relation to each other - no sound. about size of police helicopter.
July 3 2138	Lilydale (nr.Melb.)	Large light, about size of moon - came from W to NW across Dandenongs. thought aircraft, no sound- got larger -kept coming- over top of house-extremely fast - disappeared. like 2 afterburners without flame - headed towards Mt. Dandenong.
July 19	Carlton (Melb.)	4-5 witnesses observed 6 lights which went upwards, faded and disappeared.
July 19 2230-2300	East Brunswick	6 red lights, not blinking, same size as stars, spaced close together.maneuvered around each other - very slowly changing pattern. observed for 10 minutes. last seen large triangle going in N.E direction.
July 19 2300	Thornbury (Melb.)	5 white/orange lights moving slowly in an arc of about 35deg across the sky. about the same distance apart as stars in the ~cross~.
July 19 2330	Northcote	6 lights stationary in NW position of about 45 degs.above horizon - spaced out about 2 inches when hand at arm's length. 3 moved position - disappeared quickly other 2 faded very fast, top one faded then returned.
July 20 1210	North Balwyn	about 20 lights in two rows across sky spaced apart 2 on ends moved down them across sky & suddenly disappeared. Pulsating lights no different through binoculars.

Table 1: Victorian Sightings continued

Date/Time	Location	Details
July 20 mid-night	Canterbury	String of gold lights like stars - as if suspended by a thread moved away from City - about height of 3- 4 story building - towards Dandenongs.
July 20 mid-night	Box Hill	20 lights - northern part of Melb. to East - changed position and moved over witnesses - drifted starlike - yellow colour- changed formation while going East. Another witness reported the same incident.
July 20	Camberwell	16 lights - 1/4 times size of moon. bright like Sun - started in row, 2 in front waited for others to catch up then formed moon shape. flew overhead, very large -30 times the size of house - no noise just 'sphere of big fire' - flew off at fantastic speed. road lit up.
July 26 0145	Hawthorn	Animal reaction - dogs in neighbour- hood barking. 15 - 20 lights lower than clouds. hovered and manoeuvred about, white lights, observation about 10 minutes.
July 26 0130	Fairfield	18 white lights - flying W to SE - 35 degrees above horizon - beneath clouds.
July 27 0145	Hawthorn	more than 10 lights, like stars. changing patterns -coming closer and further apart. going E - SE. about 70 degrees. passed bedroom window.
July 27 0130	Clifton Hill	15 - 20 lights travelling in line slowly across sky from W to E. Appeared to form a central structure -hexagonal-the other lights in various positions around it. These changing patterns took place as they all flew off towards the N. Duration of sighting was 10 minutes.
July 27 0150	Kew	3 witnesses observed 10-15 lights moving from SW of City to SE, fast and very high - stopped - for approx. 21/ 2secs. then 'winked out' one after the other. Yellow colour - neat formation - cloudy night - moving above clouds. duration 10 minutes.
July 27 0130	East Kew	10 - 15 red lights travelling east formed pattern as it moved away.
July 27 0130	East Hawthorn	At least 30 pink 'stars' moving directly east- duration of sighting about 20 minutes.



# New South Wales Sighting Reports

Date/Time	Location	Details
March 28	North Rocks (Syd)	White object - like sail of ship moving across sky W to E. at very fast speed.
April 4 0230	Sydney City	3 very bright grey/white lights - about 1/4 size of moon - going N to S at very fast speed in formation.
April 4 2230	Burwood (Syd)	Bright orange steady light - at first moved slowly - changed direction several times then took off at fast speed.
April 4 Mid. night	Prestons (Syd)	Round object with multicolour lights around - going W to E fast on straight trajectory.
Weekend of May 8/9 night	Stanwell Park	Fishermen saw light doing aerobatics over the sea.
May 9 2130	North Sydney	14 orange lights moving slowly N to S
May 9 2150	Crows Nest	possible prank
May 15 0115	Mt.Ousley Expressway nr. Bulli Pass	Enormous object -large metallic - covered with rotating amber lights. Travelling fast - at low altitude.
May 17 1745	Belmont (Newell)	Multiple witnesses - 1 ex airline pilot. 3 yellow/amber lights in triangle formation - hovered - seemed to turn in unison at times.
May 17 1920	Emu Plains	Orange light moved east towards Penrith then north to Richmond - very fast. Witness rang RAAF.
May 17 1926	Campbelltown (South of Penrith)	3 flashing lights red-green-white one above the other, moving in unison very fast from S to N.
May 18 1910	Emu Plains Leonay animals distressed	Orange/yellow light which split into 3 - observed by multiple witnesses - last seen in triangle form - lights then took off quickly in different directions.
May 29 1930	Dural NW Syd.	Aqua blue disc standing on edge - took off at incredible speed.
May 29 1945	Gosford N.Syd.	Pale blue cigar shape - luminescent light going very fast east to west.

Table 1: N.S.W. Sightings

Date/Time	Location	Details
June 3 2140	Liverpool, Syd.	3 bright orange lights moving W to E.- very fast. Suspect conventional explanation.
June 4 2000	Emu Plains	Orange light with flame resembled an afterburner.
June 4 2105	Emu Plains	As above.
June 14 2017	Chatswood (Syd)	Witness-amateur astronomer and ex naval officer observed 2 spherical solid objects emitting orange light with green glow around - hovered and moved at incredible speed & turns.
June 21 1940	Belmont	3 large pink/orange lights in triangle pattern with small white lights rotating inside- appeared to be one huge object hovering at high altitude over sea.
June 24 1800	West Ryde (Syd)	2 orange lights - going north together at speed of small plane - separated and went opposite directions.
June 25 1730	Yagoona (Syd)	Brilliant white light moved fast towards city then suddenly disappeared.
June 25 1745	Meadowbank (Syd)	Black rectangular object (solid) with signs of smoke and flame at bottom descending and rotating over water - appeared to be controlled in movement - flame was not burning object.
June 30 1845	Toongabbie	several witnesses - 4 orange lights.
June 30 1845	Baulkam Hills	12 orange lights - possible prank.
July 2 2157	Northmead	3 witnesses observed 9-11 lights travelling in formation at about 180 K/hr. - SE suddenly disappeared.
July 2 2205	All over Sydney & environs	Orange/fiery objects with comet-like tails, falling to earth very fast. Observatory advised no record of meteorites of space debris. Many witnesses.
July 9 2010	Eden (South coast)	5 witnesses saw 2 bright orange lights going N to S - quite fast. one stopped and hovered, then changed direction to S.E.
July 10 2110	Newcastle	4 witnessed 6 orange pulsating lights - in formation - going S to N - changed position.
July 16 1830	Narooma (south coast)	multiple witnesses - 2 red/orange lights, possible flare/signals.

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#### MYSTERY OBJECT OVER WEMBLEY STADIUM

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On the evening of Friday 31st July 1992, Mr. and Mrs. De-Cruz travelled by coach to Wembley Stadium to see the Michael Jackson show. On arrival at the Stadium they were walking to join the queue at the gates when Mrs. De-Cruz suddenly had the strange feeling that something very significant was going to happen, something to do with the concert stopping in the middle. She felt this so strongly she mentioned it to her husband.

She went on to say that when the concert started they were standing on the grass of the arena but due to their poor view they moved around to get a better position. She glanced over her shoulder and caught sight of something in the sky, but didn't think much about it and turned back towards the stage. She went on to say that within seconds she began to feel uneasy and had a compulsion to look at the object in the sky.

At this moment she drew her husband's attention to what she was watching. By this time they had their backs to the stage and were intent on watching the flying object. The time was exactly 9.25pm.

They described the object as being transparent, like a jellyfish, square in shape with rounded corners, but not quite circular. The outside was an orange colour with a blueish-grey inside. They

described it as being the size of an orange at arms length. It gave the impression that it was spinning in two directions at once and was continually tilting in all directions. It also appeared to be divided into sections, they thought quarters, but were not certain.

At about 9.30pm it started to move off slowly and continued to tilt and bobble up and down until it went over the roof of the stand and disappeared from view. Mrs. De-Cruz said that she had an overpoweringly beautiful feeling, that the object was emanating concern compassion and love, and she found herself crying.

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After the concert Mrs. De-Cruz and her husband spoke to some Security Guards who were nearby. The guards confirmed that they and several other people had witnessed the strange event. They stated that the object was categorically nothing to do with the concert.

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## TASMANIA

### OLD REPORTS SURFACE ONCE MORE

Old UFO sighting reports are always coming to hand to the Centre's notice although in recent years they have been few and far between. However, the last few months, with an added interest in the phenomena, have seen a number of cases dating back to the early years of the Centre. The reports have not been reported for number of reasons, some witnessed did not know of the Centre's existence; others were uncovered by chance when investigating an explained sighting. Naturally older cases cannot be investigated fully but even so they often fit into a prior run of reports or exhibit similar features to cases throughout the world.

### LANDING AT FITZGERALD

Although this report did not come to the Centre's attention until 25 years after the event., it resembles so many other cases reported around the world in the intervening years. Mr N tells how he lived at Fitzgerald during 1967 and worked shift work for Australian Newsprint Mills. He often

went to bed fairly early for this reason, when about 9.30pm one night he and his wife heard a constant hum noise. It reminded him of a truck stuck in the same gear. They had a fair bit of traffic on the road to Strathgordon. Eventually they both got up and looked out the bedroom window to see what was happening. Down in the paddock towards the river some 300 to 400m distance they could see a large bright white light, it seemed to be the source of the sound which continued unabated. Reflected below the dome-shaped light was an object which to Mr N looked to be round. They watched in all for about 20 minutes. Mr N decided he was not going to go down to see what was going on, and the witnesses returned to bed. Being tired they soon dropped off to sleep again. Next day Mr N says they went down to the paddock and at the location of the light and object found the grass had been swirled in a clockwise pattern. The measurements which he still remembered was that the outside circumference of the area was 80' (approx 25m). This gives a diameter of 25' (7.8m). There were no animals in the paddock at the time and the marks were obliterated soon after when his brother was doing some clearing of blackberries nearby. Mr N was not aware of any other witnesses to the sighting.

### AUTO STOP OF 1968

Throughout the late sixties and early seventies a number of cases involved motorists who claimed they were followed by a UFO. Some suffered temporary effects to lights and motors but it was not until 1974 that we had a case where the car stopped possibly due to the presence of an unidentified light. Our case pre-dates this by six years, having probably occurred on 1968. The witness recounts that he and several friends had been up the Huon Valley and were returning home along the Glen Huon road around 11pm. Between Glen Huon and Huonville they were rather surprised when the car motor cut out and they rolled to a stop. The occupants got out to have a look under the bonnet to see what was amiss. One of the friends said, "What's that up there?" To the south side of the road appeared an object with lights on it. It looked to be 200m or so off the road and maybe at about the same height. It was shaped like an old style child's spinning top. There were about 3 lights on its top with more across the base, maybe 4 or 5. The lights were bluish in colour but quite clearly visible on the object which stood out as a dark colour against the night sky. Everybody just stood there looking up for what seemed a long time, but

was probably only a couple of minutes. Then the object which the witness had estimated as bus-sized just disappeared in a flash over the hills to the south. He does not know if it was a coincidence but his friend had just lit up a cigarette at the time. They once more tried the car and it started first go and they continued on their journey.

### DAYLIGHT DISC OF 1972

The day Mrs D's husband was due to leave Australia she spotted strange erratic daylight disc over Mt Direction across the river from her Glenorchy home. The date was August 22nd. It was about 10AM. It was morning tea time and whilst seated on the sofa and looking out at the bright clear sky to the East, she noticed a round shiny object darting about the sky. It would appear to be moving about above the mountain then move off into clouds towards the North East. It performed this flight pattern a second time and Mrs D thought the disc had gone. However, it suddenly reappeared around the eastern end of Mt Direction, travelling across the face of the mountain and out of sight over the top. The exact pattern was repeated several times. Mrs D by now had moved out onto the patio; the disc came into sight for one more time, went over the skyline and did not reappear again.

The object was a shiny white, glinting like a mirror in the sun as it

moved about the area for an estimated 6 minutes. Mrs D had looked around for another witness but no one else was about at the time. She was not aware of the Centre's existence until publicity about the UFO phenomena in mid 1992.

### LIGHTS OVER MT WELLINGTON

Quite a few of our old reports have come through Graeme Collins, one of our very active members in this field. A report of lights over Mt Wellington came to Graeme's attention and he obtained the details. The witness was at the East-side Drive-In at Warrane. He was able to fix the date as May 14th, 1980, and described the sighting of some erratic lights. "From 8PM I viewed two objects, one was stationary at 160m above the mountain, the other approaching from the East about 100m above Mt Wellington." "It travelled a short distance before climbing at a 45 degree angle towards the stationery light". "After making contact the light branched off towards West. From 8.30pm another three lights repeated this process following the pattern of the first lights". At 9PM one of the lights returns from the West, travelling on a level path, it makes contact with a stationary red light with a long tail, and seems to go inside it. Then they both moved off back to the West,

the light changes yellow and disappears away to the West. The witness was able to view the light with his 7 x 50 binoculars.

### ON THE ROAD TO BOTHWELL

Two cases from the early eighties were reported by one-time resident of Bothwell. One occurred in 1980; the second in 1982 both sightings occurred between Melton Mowbray and the Den Hill. Mrs W recalled she would drive to Hobart at the end of each week to collect her children from school so that she was quite familiar with the run from Hobart to Bothwell. It was a fine dry winter's night in 1980 when she turned off onto the Lake Highway at Melton Mowbray, probably around 7pm. Soon after leaving Melton Mowbray she noticed a bright white light to the northern (driver's) side of the road. The light seemed to stay with her as she travelled on towards Apsley. By the time she reached Apsley she was feeling rather concerned with the continued presence of the light. Mrs W decided to turn off at a farm where she knew the owners. However, the gate was locked, at this stage she could see a slightly smaller than moon-sized golden object low over the valley ahead. It looked to be moving back and forth. Mrs W now decided to get home to Bothwell as fast as she could.



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She sped up the Den Hill and along the road towards home. Meanwhile the object remained out to her right front only being obscured a few times by nearby rises and trees. Finally about 3km from Bothwell she rounded a curve and noticed the golden object was no longer there. She had been driving as fast as she dared to get away from it.

Mrs W said that she did not like going out at night in the car after the sighting; she preferred her husband to drive the car. Even so in the company of her husband Mrs W saw another strange light 2 years later in 1982. This time they were returning home after midnight and were climbing up the Den Hill. A large bright white light was seen ahead of their car and approaching from the North West. Mr W pulled up the car to get out and see what this light was he felt that there must be an explanation. The light at this stage was passing down the gully alongside the road in complete silence. Mrs W convinced her husband that they should continue on, so that she did not see what happened to the light other than it presumably passed away at a low level to the East.

#### STRANGE BLACK TRIANGLE OBJECT

It was mid evening in the summer of 1985 when Allan (name on file)

and his friend heard a low-level humming noise from their home in Claremont.

Going outside he noticed at once the source of the noise was a black triangle shape almost overhead the street outside the house.

The object was estimated at an elevation of some 100m and seemed to be moving very slowly at maybe less than 40kph.

The triangle shape was blocking out the night sky above as it moved towards the hills west of Claremont.

The leading point on the triangle had a green light whilst the corners at the rear carried red lights. Allan estimated the object was some 20m long, and about 15m wide at the base of the triangle.

The object seemed too low to the ground to be an aircraft, whilst Allan felt that the noise was too distinctive to be a helicopter. The two witnesses could only watch in surprise as the object progressed away in front of the mountain foothills, then disappeared up and over the hilltop.

The sighting lasted maybe up to 5 minutes. No other witnesses were noticed in the area at the time whilst the location of the house is at the top end of a no-through road. Reports of triangle-shaped objects have been absent since 1979, this recent report being the only one since then.

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All nominations are required to be in the hands of the Secretary **no later than the 1st November, 1993.**

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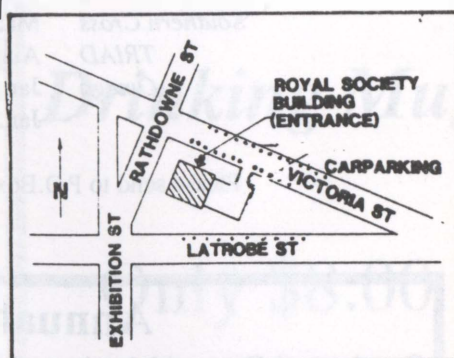
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# 1957

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The earliest U.F.O. group to form in Australia was the "Australian Flying Saucer Bureau" under the direction of Edgar Jarrold and Andrew Tomas, in the early 1950s. At the same time, Fred Stone inaugurated the "Australian Flying Saucer Research Society" in Adelaide. After approximately two years the Bureau closed down and was regarded as a branch of the "Australian Flying Saucer Research Society" under Andrew Tomas. This shortly broke from Adelaide and became the "Australian U.F.O. Investigation Centre" with Dr. Clifford at its head until 1958, when the Presidency passed to Dr. Lindtner.

The "Australian Flying Saucer Research Society (Victorian Branch)" was formed on the 17th February, 1957 as a branch of the "Australian Flying Saucer Research Society" and later that year was re-organised as the "Victorian Flying Saucer Research Society" with Mr. Peter E. Norris L.L.B. as President. In 1968 the name was again altered – this time to the "Victorian U.F.O. Research Society".

During this time, the Society has published various papers and is probably best known for its publication Australian Flying Saucer Review, curtailed in 1972 due to high costs and subsequently superseded by the Australian U.F.O. Bulletin and at one stage sponsored and produced a quarter-hour program on a Melbourne radio station under the heading of "The Truth Behind Flying Saucers".

In 1978, following the resignation of Mr. Peter Norris the current executive, Mrs. Judith Magee, Messrs. Paul Norman and Clive Yates, was placed in control, ensuring the continuing prosperity of V.U.F.O.R.S. The Society has held a dispassionate attitude on U.F.O.s, claiming it is a scientific problem deserving closer attention. It has also met regularly in general meetings and discussion nights and maintained the largest U.F.O. library in the southern hemisphere. Unfortunately, the loss of books, probably due to the high cost of postage has forced V.U.F.O.R.S. to discontinue this service to members.

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